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TRANSMITTAL OF VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN **AND** REQUEST FOR REFUND

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity States duly executed by the inventor of the above-identified patent application.

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